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In re Application of:

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the USPTO is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of each of the references listed on Form PTO-1449 are attached.

Also enclosed is a copy of a European Search Report bearing a mailing date of November 17, 2000, and the USPTO is directed thereto for a concise statement of possible relevance of the references cited therein.

The above information is presented so that the USPTO may, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the

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claimed invention. See 37 C.F.R. 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that these references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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